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Applicant: Fengxia Qi et al.

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For: NOVEL LANTHIONINE ANTIBIOTIC COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2004 issued in connection with the above-identified application, please consider the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I: Claims 1-7, drawn to a method of making mutacin I classified in class 435, subclass 71.1.

Group II: Claims 7-10, drawn to a mutacin I protein product classified in class 530, subclass 300.

Group III: Claims 9-14, drawn to a method of treating classified in class 424, subclass 244.1.

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Responsive to the requirement for restriction, Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group III directed to a method of treating, **without traverse.**

Respectfully submitted,



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